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March Meeting

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March Raffle Prizes

1. 2 Peso Gold
2. Silver Dollar
3. Wasatch Store Co., Sunnyside, Utah/GF 1 S
4. C. E. S. Co., No. 1, Hiawatha/GF One Exp
5. S. L. Union Bar/GF 5¢ Beer or Cigar
6. Woodward Bros. (Tremonton)/GF 5¢ IT
7. Jimpson & Bunker (SLC)/GF 5¢ IT
8. Twin City, 108 Post Street/GF 5¢ IT
9. Mills Novelty Co. (SLC)/GF 5¢ IT
10. A (Park City)/GF 5¢ Drink or Cigar

Next Meeting

The next club meeting will be held on March 24, at 7:15 p.m., at the Redwood Multipurpose Center, 3100 South, Redwood Road. Our speaker will be Joe Rawson, a metal detector dealer. Doug Wright will speak at a future meeting.

Look for April 28 to be a bourse and auction night.

Token Hunter Notes

NOTE-Please be advised that this will be the last copy of the Token Hunter sent to club members who have not paid their 1988 dues. (If you have paid you dues for this year please disregard this notice.) This action is necessary to keep costs down and to be fair to dues-paying members. The Board hopes that all past members will renew their memberships (most have) and that many new members will join the club in 1988.

We again solicit articles and other contributions for the Token Hunter and express appreciation to those who have contributed to this issue. Also, we again thank the Tanner Special Collections Room of the University of Utah Marriot Library for allowing publication of the portion of the Davich papers which appears in this issue of the Token Hunter.

President's Page

Dear NUTS:

Our last meeting was a big success. We had a large turnout and the guest speaker, Ron Greenleaf, gave a very interesting presentation about gaming tokens. He talked about owning a $1,000.00 gaming chip and how, in some cases, a collector might go to Nevada and make a casino take the chip in trade at face value. Well, at the Little Rock ANA Midwinter Coin show I saw a $1,000.00 chip for sale at $50.00, and I bought it. The club is fortunate to have Ron as a member. We wish to thank him for sharing his collection and time with us.

This is your last issue of the Token Hunter if you haven't paid your dues this year. See Eric Jameson or Frank Sommers at the meeting and they will issue you a new membership card in return for your dues and Norm Johnson will put you on the "after-March" mailing list.

In this newsletter there is an article on our upcoming Coin and Token Show. George Wilson, the show chairman, has the ball rolling just fine. As of now we have 8 tables sold and more to come before the club meeting. The coin show is very important to the club in terms of raising funds. Also, it gives club members a chance to display their collections and work together. We need your support in putting together a successful show.

This month's speaker is Joe Rawson. Doug Wright had some scheduling problems and will speak at a future meeting. Joe is a metal detector dealer and has been in the business for many years. He has a special talk on how to look for buried treasure under water and also has a video on the same subject. I've detected with him and he is truly an expert and I'm sure he will be willing to answer all of your questions.

Bring a friend and I'll see you at the meeting.

See you at the meeting,

Bob

Wagonmaster Notes

I am looking forward to the trips that the club is planning this year. Our lst trip will be to Fish Springs on April 23,24. This is a repeat trip from last year and we are hoping to have a repeat of the tokens that were found. If you do not know how to get to Fish Springs, meet at the Redwood Multipurpose Center on April 23rd at 7:00 a.m. sharp. Bring your bug spray.

The trips that have been planned for 1986 are as follows:

April 23,24	Fish Springs
May 28-30	Frisco
June 11,12	Nevada
July 23-25	Blue Creek - Kelton
Aug. 13,14	Rains - Mutual
Sept. 3-5	Osiris - Widtsoe

Coin Show Talk

March means only 90 days till our 4th annual Salt Lake City Coin & Token Show. Once again our show will be held at the Salt Lake Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge located at 122 West South Temple. The dates will be June 25 & 26, which is the last weekend in June. Hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday and 10;00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday.

Our publicity is off to a good start, with mailings being made to several numismatic and treasuring hunting magazines. If you know of any magazines, newspapers, or newsletters which would give us free publicity, please let me know. Flyers were distributed at the Northern Utah Coin Show. Again this year we need the assistance of club members in distributing these flyers elsewhere. They will be available at all of the club meetings from now until the show. Please take some with you each month and put them in public places.

We also need your help at the hospitality table, greeting guests and helping to sell the club medals. The signup sheet for the hospitality table will be passed around at the meeting. Please put your name on the list.

Last, but not least, we want to encourage everyone to display some part of their collection at the show. (This month's Token Hunter was to have contained an exhibit application, but, just before press time, the editor realized he didn't have a copy of one like he thought he did.) There will be one in the next issue! Everyone who is a member of a Utah Coin Club can enter an exhibit. There will be several different catagories, so almost anyone can exhibit. This is a great chance to show off your collection and share your expertise. Everyone who enters an exhibit will receive an award, so fill out the form and send it in.

If we all pitch in this year our show can't help but be the best one yet.

Whats New?

The following token from Vernal, Utah was annonomously provided to the Editor for inclusion in this month's Token Hunter.

Dear Blabby

Dear Blabby,

I would like to be a token collector, but I just can't seem to find any tokens worth collecting. Any advise on token finding?

Signed, Looking in Levan

Dear Lev:

Tokens can be hard to find. That's part of what makes collecting them fun. There aren't any secrets to token finding, just a lot of hard work. Here are 20 ideas to get you started.

1. Metal Detecting. This is always a good bet, especially if you love the great out of doors. If you think that all of the best finds have been made, you're wrong! Even places that have been detected hundreds of times (West Dip, for example) yield good tokens to the persistent treasure hunter. If you don't want to buy a detector at first, try renting one from a pawn shop.

2. Antique Stores. This is a hit and miss proposition, but there are some good finds to be made. Sometimes you can educate dealers to make them better future token finders. Leaving your name and phone number for their reference might be a good bet.

3. Antique Shows; These shows bring out a lot of "vest pocket" dealers and may be worth your time.

4. Flea Market/Swap Meets/Garage Sales. These are an endurance test, as much as anything, because they go on all of the time. The possibilities, however, are worth while.

5. Coin Dealers/Token Dealers. This is likely the simplest method of token finding - but also the most expensive. A good way to look at the cost is to determine whether your time spent

looking for tokens otherwise is "worth" anything. If it is, the dealer's price may be very reasonable indeed. Otherwise, you may wish to do the finding yourself.

6. Utah Coin and Token Shows. There are a few of these each year and some good material surfaces at them. Much is brought by out of state dealers and is available at bargain prices. One of the advantages of being a member of the club sponsoring the show is that you can enter early, when set up is being done, and bargain hunt.

7. Coin Shows in Surrounding States. Here the potential is great, depending on your dedication. Boise, Denver, and Las Vegas are all accessible by car. Be sure to arrive early or the items you are looking for may be gone before you get there. The ATCO show produced some great finds last year but, Omaha is a long way to go.

8. ATCO. The Active Token Collector's Organization publishes a monthly magazine filled with mail bid auction sales. If you are interested only in Utah Material, however, the pickins can be slim.

9. Other National Organizations. Have you looked into the Token and Medal Society (TAMS), for example?

10. National Exonumia Auctions. There are a few dealers who operate exonumia auctions on a national scale. Sometimes trade tokens are included. These may be worth investigating.

11. "Trading." I've heard it said that "with coins you have the grading problem, with tokens its the trading problem." True, some tokens are available on a "trade only" basis. This, however, is a two-edged sword, because at least the material is available. You may have to jump through some hoops to get it, but this can be good for your character.

12. NUTS Raffle. I understand the National Utah Token Society now has at least one good token at each month's raffle. Do you feel lucky?

13. Other Utah Coin or Treasure Hunting Clubs. Tokens sometime surface at the club meetings of other Utah exonumia clubs. Maybe you should attend.

14. Advertising. There are a number of places to advertise, from ATCO to the local newspaper.

15. Flyers. Another method of advertising is to print flyers and distribute them in small towns. Be careful not to get arrested for littering.

16. Business Cards. Have you thought of having a business card printed up that says "Levan Looker - Token Hunter" on it?

17. Door-knocking. Blabby has never tried this, but understands that some folks have taken a handful of tokens to show as examples of what they are looking for and gone door to door in small towns asking "do you have any of these?" "Would you like to sell them?"

18. Talking with (Older) Folks. I have found that alot of people are not only interested in discussing the use of tokens "back when," but they may also have a few kicking around. They may even be interested in having the tokens find a good home.

19. Contacts. What it means to "have contacts" is somewhat unclear to Blabby. However, it seems that people who come up with lots of tokens seem to have them.

20. Helping Others. Heaven forbid that this suggestion should be made, but Blabby believes that NUTS might find that by helping others they could accomplish more than might be possible otherwise.

I hope these ideas get you started. Remember to be more like a tortoise than a hare. Remember also that, if you didn't get into tokens "when the getting was good" there is still time to compensate if you work hard. One last thing, Have fun with tokens! When it stops being fun, its time to find something else to collect.

Signed, Blabby

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The Davich Papers - Installment II

The next few months installments of the Davich Papers will consist of rubbings and research notes. Each of the rubbings represents a Park City token in the Mr. Davich's collection. In the papers, each of the references is accompanied by a photo copy of the original material, but because of limited space only the condensed information will be reproduced.

Editor's note - Page 1 (next page) paragraph 1 "A star(-)" should read "A star(*)" and paragraph 4 should read "GOOD FOR 5 IN TRADE" instead of GOOD FOR 6 IN TRADE"

NAME: AB Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Park City Recorder Book #8(from January 1918 to January 1930)

On September 1, 1921, a merchant license granted to Emil Bjork,

REFERENCE: Listing found of Park City, in the Utah State Gazetters.

Mrs. Ada Bjork,confectionary for years of 1922 and 1923.

REFERENCE: Park City Municipal Water works(Bill & Collection Register)

Andy Heggland is listed as the owner for property on 126 Main Street, with Emil Bjork being the tenant for the years of 1921 and 1922.

NOTE:Mrs.Isacson is listed as the tenant in 1923, with Mrs. Peter Clark being the owner. The place of business of Bjork would have been the small confectionary at the upper part of Main Street,on the east side of Main Street.

SPECIAL NOTES: Their is a question as to whether this confectionary store did issue a token at that period of time.Most possible that the two die varities shown, are that of Ada Bjork,is listed in the State Gazetter.

DESCRIPTION of token in collection.....19MM size.
OBVERSE: GOOD FOR 5 IN TRADE. AB appears in the center.
A star(-) before AB, and a Star(*) after AB. Beaded border.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 5 IN TRADE. AB appears in the center.
A star(*) before AB, and a Star(*) after AB. Beaded border.
Token is 21MM in size and of brass metal.

DESCRIPTION of token in collection.

OBVERSE: GOOD FOR 6 IN TRADE. AB appears in the center.
A star(*) before AB and a Star(*) after AB. A dashed(/) border is noted.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 5 IN TRADE. AB APPEARS IN THE CENTER.
A star(*) before AB, and a Star(*) after AB. Dashed border, token being
21MM in size, and of brass metal.

19MM

21MM

NAME: ADAMS, W.A. .....Park City Utah.

NOTE: Rubbings of token die variety number one.....two....and three listed below.

VARIETY NUMBER ONE(1)

VARIETY NUMBER TWO(2)

VARIETY NUMBER THREE(3)

NAME: _ ADAMS, W.A. _ .....Park City Utah

DESCRIPTION of tokens , in collection. (Token Die Variety Number one(1).

OBVERSE:The initials of W.A. appear in the center of the token. A period(.) is found in front of the letter.W and after the letter of A. The center of the token has a 2MM hole, and has a beaded border.

REVERSE: Good for 5¢ in trade, around the border of the token.At the base appears three small stars(*). Plain border on the reverse. Token is 21MM in size,and of brass metal.
SPECIAL NOTE:The above described token shall be classified as "DIE VARIETY" number one(1) for catalog purposes.

DESCRIPTION OF TOKEN DIE VARIETY NUMBER Two(2) .

OBVERSE: The initials of W.A. appears in the center of the token. A period(.) is found after the letter of W. and after the letter of A. The center of the token has a 2MM hole and has a beaded border.

REVERSE: Good for 5/ in trade, around the border of the token. At the base appears one(1) small star(*). A beaded border noted on the token.It is 21MM in size and of brass metal.

DESCRIPTION OF TOKEN DIE VARIETY NUMBER Three(3).

OBVERSE: The initials of W.A. appear in the center of the token. A period(.) is found after the initial of W. and a period is noted after the word A. A scroll design is noted above and below the lettering of W.A. Obverse has a beaded border. The center of the token has a 2MM hole in the center.

REVERSE: Good for 5¢ in trade, around the border, and the border is beaded.
A small design such as + appears on the reverse.It measurers 21MM, and is of brass metal.

NAME: ADAMS, W.A.....Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Mercantile Agency Book HF 5573-D7(Folio) now published as Dunn and Bradstreet Book.(Photo copies from Library of Congress,Washington, D.C.

ADAMS, W.A. listed in year of 1890 as follows: Cigars, Notions, & Photo.

ADAMS, W.A. listed as Photographer, for the following years: 1902....1906...1907.... 1910....1911....1912....1913...1914....1915....1916....1917....1918.

REFERENCE: Utah State Gazetters(zerox copies of Park City Merchants).

In 1888 ADAMS BROS. was listed as Photographers.
In 1892 and 1893 ADAMS, W.A. is listed as Photographer.
ADAMS, Willis A. is listed as a Photographer,at 424 Main,for the following years: 1900....1903-04....1908-09.....1912-13.....1914-15.....1916-17...1918-19..... 1920-21....1922-23....1924-25....1927-28....1930-31

Willis A.Adams,% THE STUDIO is listed for years of 1930-31.

REFERENCE:Park City Treasurer Book(from June 1892 to July 1903)

ADAMS,W.A. issued a merchant license,cost of $4.00 per quarter on the following dates: 9-15-1892.....12-5-1892.....3-14-1893.....5-31-1893....9-21-1893.....11-18-1893..... 2-16-1894.....5-5-1894....8-14-1894....11-15-1894....2-15-1895....5-15-1895.... 5-14-1896....8-14-1896....11-13-1896....2-15-1897....11-15-1897....2-14-1898.... 4-21-1898....8-23-1898....12-20-1898.....12-20-1898.....5-13-1899....3-7-1900..... 5-23-1900....7-31-1900.....10-16-1900....2-10-1901.....4-30-1901....9-1-1901.... 11-1-1901....4-1-1902....1031-1902.

REFERENCE: Park City License Register Book from 1888 to 1900.

ADAMS,W.A. issued license on the following dates: 12-9-1898....3-10-1899.... 6-12-1899....9-30-1899....12-27-1899.

REFERENCE: Park City License Register Book, from 1900 to 1903.

Issued a license on the following dates:...5-29-1900.....10-6-1900....12-5-1900.... 4-30-1901....8-1-1900.....11-5-1900.....1-31-1902....4-29-1902....7-31-1902...10-31-1903/

REFERENCE: Park City License Register Book(from 1900 to 1903)

ADAMS, W.A. issued a merchant license om the following dates: at the cost of $4.00 per quarter.Issued on: 1-31-1902....4-29-1902....7-31-1902...19-31-1902....the license did expire in 1903, then was transferred over to W.R, JEFFORD:

NAME: W.A. ADAMS, Photographer.....Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Park City License Register Book, starting in 1888,& ending in 1900.

W.A. ADAMS,issued a Photographer license on the following dates, cost per quarter was $4.00. Issued on:..9-21-1893....11-18-1893....2-16-1894....5-15-1894.... 8-14-1894....11-14-1895...2-15-1896....5-14-1896....8-14-1896....11-13-1896..... 2-15-1897....5-15-1897....8-19-1897...11-15-1897....2-14-1898....3-21-1898..... 8-23-1898....6-14-1899....7-31-1899....9-14-1899.

REFERENCE: PARK CITY TREASURER, RECEIPT & DISBURSEMENT BOOK(book starting in 1910, ending in 1923) Then Treasurer book starting with 1924 and ending in 1936)

W.A. ADAMS..was issued a license for the years of 1910...1911.1912..1913..1914..1915. but didn't record the dates for the above years.Issued license on the following dates, at $4.00 per quarter:....4-12-1916....10-16-1916....1-12-1917-....4-21-1917..7-2-31917. 12-1-1917....1-15-1918....5-4-1918.....8-14-1918....10-14-1918....1-23-1919..... 4-17-1919....8-1-1919....10-18-1919.(Note)The cost of the license did increase on payment of license dating 10-14-1918.)
License per quarter on the following dates, was $5.00....2-13-1920...8-24-1920..... 10-12-1920....1-19-1921...4-16-1921....7-16-1921...10-25-1921....1-16-1922.... 4-22-1922....7-15-1922...October 1922...1-14-1923....4-19-1923..4-19-1923.. 7-19-1923....10-19-1923- 1-21-1924...4-1-1924...7-14-1924....4-6-1926.. 8-3=1927....1-9-1928...1-3-1929....April 1929....July 1929....October 1929..

REFERENCE: Following information taken from the Obituary files(% Fraser Buck)

W.A. ADAMS:(dated July 1, 1932)..Word came from Salt Lake City Wednesday morning that W.A.Adams universally known and admired in Park City for nearly half a century had died at his home in Sugar House, Salt Lake City. He was known throughout Utah as a talented artist, not alone as a photographer but as a portrait and landscape painter. He had painted portraits of U.S.Senator Thomas Kearns, and Mrs. Kearns, Mr. & Mrs. David Keith Sr, and beloved Father Galligan and many others. He is survived by his widow. He was 78 years old.

FROM THE SECRETARY

TIME TO: RENEW OR ELSE!!

In case you have not yet heard, this is the last issue of the token hunter that you will receive if you have not yet paid your dues. We are sorry that we can't send this to you for free, but it seems that there is this nasty thing called money that everyone seem to want, including your very own post office, thus we must collect dues to send out this newsletter.

The membership dues are a very reasonable $7.50 for single membership and only $12.50 for a family membership. With a family membership, we not only get more money but you get more chances to win on the special Christmas drawing.

Instead of only one chance per family per meeting, you get as many chances as you have family members attending each meeting. With a family membership you can ask for a membership card for each member of your family - dont allow them to feel left out! No matter whether you have a family or just a single membership, lets get it in as soon as possible, or else no more newsletters. Dont let this fate worse than death befall you.

DONT BE LEFT HANGING WITH-OUT YOUR NEW MEMBERSHIP

In January we had 17 memberships paid, and another 16 paid up in February, for a total of 33 so far this year, compared with a total of over fifty last year. This does not compute! We should have more people this year! All it takes is that each and every one of you renew your membership, and also try to bring in a friend.

Remember: you get a genuine silver dime for each and every nonmember that you bring in to a meeting. No, they do not have to join the club (but of course they will want to) for you to get that silver - just get them to come and we will do the rest.

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